J Sainsbury plc (the 'Company')

Notification of transactions by Persons Discharging Managerial Responsibilities ('PDMRs')

The Company has been notified that the following PDMRs acquired ordinary shares of 28⁴/₇ pence each (the **'Shares'**) in the Company on 8 September 2016 through their participation in Sainsbury's Share Purchase Plan (the **'SSPP**'). The Shares were purchased at £2.45 each.

PDMR	Number of Shares acquired under the SSPP
John Rogers	46
Tim Fallowfield	47
Paul Mills-Hicks	41
Sarah Warby	46
Angie Risley	47
Jon Rudoe	47

The Notification of Dealing Forms for each PDMR can be found below.

This notification is made in accordance with the requirements of the Market Abuse Regulation.

For further information please contact:

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1	Details of the person discharging managerial responsibilities / person closely associated				
a)	Name	John Rogers			
2	Reason for the notification	on			
a)	Position/status	Executive Director			
b)	Initial notification /Amendment	Initial notification			
3	Details of the issuer, emission allowance market participant, auction platform, auctioneer or auction monitor				
a)	Name	J Sainsbury plc			
b)	LEI	N/A			
4	Details of the transaction(s): section to be repeated for (i) each type of instrument; (ii) each type of transaction; (iii) each date; and (iv) each place where transactions have been conducted				
a)	Description of the financial instrument, type of instrument Ordinary shares of 28 ⁴ / ₇ pence each Identification code ISIN: GB00B019KW72				
b)	Nature of the transaction	Purchase of shares under the SSPP			

c)	Price(s) and volume(s)	Price(s) £2.45	Volume(s) 46		
d)	Aggregated information				_
		Aggregate	Aggregate	Aggregate	
	- Aggregated volume	Price	Volume	Total	
		£2.45	46	£115.03	
	- Price				-
e)	Date of the transaction	8 September 2	2016 at 10.27 (U	FC +1)	
f)	Place of the transaction	XLON			
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1	Details of the person disc associated	discharging managerial responsibilities / person closely				
a)	Name	Tim Fallowfield	Fim Fallowfield			
2	Reason for the notification	on				
a)	Position/status	Company Secret	ary and Corpora	te Services Director		
b)	Initial notification /Amendment	Initial notification				
3	Details of the issuer, emi- auctioneer or auction mo	nitor	market particip	pant, auction platform,		
a)	Name	J Sainsbury plc				
b)	LEI	N/A				
4	Details of the transaction(s): section to be repeated for (i) each type of instrument; (ii) each type of transaction; (iii) each date; and (iv) each place where transactions have been conducted					
a)	Description of the financial instrument, type of instrument Identification code		Ordinary shares of 284/7 pence each ISIN: GB00B019KW72			
b)	Nature of the transaction	Purchase of sh	ares under the S	SPP		
c)	Price(s) and volume(s)	Price(s) £2.45	Volume(s) 47			
d)	Aggregated information - Aggregated volume - Price	Aggregate Price £2.45	Aggregate Volume 47	Aggregate Total £117		
e)	Date of the transaction	8 September 2016 at 10.27 (UTC +1)				
f)	Place of the transaction	XLON				

1	Details of the person dise associated	scharging managerial responsibilities / person closely					
a)	Name	Paul Mills-Hicks	Paul Mills-Hicks				
2	Reason for the notification	on					
a)	Position/status	Food Commercia	al Director				
b)	Initial notification /Amendment	Initial notification	1				
3	Details of the issuer, emi auctioneer or auction mo		e market partici	pant, auction platfor	m,		
a)	Name	J Sainsbury plc					
b)	LEI	N/A					
4			(s): section to be repeated for (i) each type of instrument; (ii) (iii) each date; and (iv) each place where transactions have				
a)	Description of the financial instrument, type of instrument Identification code		Ordinary shares of 28 ⁴ / ₇ pence each ISIN: GB00B019KW72				
b)	Nature of the transaction	Purchase of sh	ares under the S	SSPP			
C)	Price(s) and volume(s)	Price(s) £2.45	Volume(s) 41				
d)	Aggregated information						
	- Aggregated volume	Aggregate Price £2.45	Aggregate Volume 41	Aggregate Total £100.68			
	- Price			2100.00			
e)	Date of the transaction	8 September 2016 at 10.27 (UTC +1)					
f)	Place of the transaction	XLON					

1	Details of the person discharging managerial responsibilities / person closely associated					
a)	Name Sarah Warby					
2	Reason for the notification					
a)	Position/status Marketing Director					
b)	Initial notification /Amendment	Initial notification				
3	Details of the issuer, emission allowance market participant, auction platform, auctioneer or auction monitor					

a)	Name	Sainsbury plc				
b)	LEI	I/A				
4	Details of the transaction(s): section to be repeated for (i) each type of instrument; (ii) each type of transaction; (iii) each date; and (iv) each place where transactions have been conducted					
a)	Description of the financial instrument, type of instrument Identification code	Ordinary shares of 284/7 pence each				
b)	Nature of the transaction	Purchase of shares under the SSPP				
c)	Price(s) and volume(s)	Price(s)Volume(s)£2.4546				
d)	Aggregated information - Aggregated volume - Price	AggregateAggregateAggregatePriceVolumeTotal£2.4546£115.13				
e)	Date of the transaction	8 September 2016 at 10.27 (UTC +1)				
f)	Place of the transaction	XLON				

1	Details of the person discharging managerial responsibilities / person closely associated				
a)	Name	Angie Risley			
2	Reason for the notification	Reason for the notification			
a)	Position/status	Group HR Director			
b)	Initial notification /Amendment	Initial notification			
3	Details of the issuer, emi auctioneer or auction mo	ssion allowance market participant, auction platform, nitor			
a)	Name	J Sainsbury plc			
b)	LEI	N/A			
4		n(s): section to be repeated for (i) each type of instrument; (ii) ; (iii) each date; and (iv) each place where transactions have			
a)	Description of the financial instrument, type of instrument Identification code	Ordinary shares of 28 ⁴ /7 pence each ISIN: GB00B019KW72			
b)	Nature of the transaction	Purchase of shares under the SSPP			
c)	Price(s) and volume(s)	Price(s)Volume(s)£2.4547			

d)	Aggregated information				
	- Aggregated volume	Aggregate Price	Aggregate Volume	Aggregate Total	
	Dring	£2.45	47	£115.68]
	- Price				
e)	Date of the transaction	8 September 2	2016 at 10.27 (U	TC +1)	
f)	Place of the transaction	XLON			

1	Details of the person discharging managerial responsibilities / person closely associated					
a)	Name	Jon Rudoe	Jon Rudoe			
2	Reason for the notification	on				
a)	Position/status	Digital and Techr	nology Director			
b)	Initial notification /Amendment	Initial notification				
3	Details of the issuer, emi auctioneer or auction mo		market particip	pant, auction platfo	orm,	
a)	Name	J Sainsbury plc				
b)	LEI	N/A				
4		(s): section to be repeated for (i) each type of instrument; (ii) (iii) each date; and (iv) each place where transactions have				
a)	Description of the financial instrument, type of instrument Identification code	Ordinary shares of 28 ⁴ / ₇ pence each ISIN: GB00B019KW72				
b)	Nature of the transaction	Purchase of sha	ares under the S	SPP		
c)	Price(s) and volume(s)	Price(s)Volume(s)£2.4547				
d)	Aggregated information					
	- Aggregated volume	Aggregate Price £2.45	Aggregate Volume 47	Aggregate Total £115.61		
	- Price		•		-	
e)	Date of the transaction	8 September 2016 at 10.27 (UTC +1)				
f)	Place of the transaction	XLON				